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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir.

This is responsive to the Official Communication of 11/30/04, rejecting claims 5 and 8 and finding all other claims allowable, but objecting to claims 2, 7, 12 and 13.

If an extension of time is required, please consider this a request therefore. If any additional fees are required, charge Deposit Account No. 19-3790.

Please amend the claims as set forth in the listing of claims which follows.